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FROM THE EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

To Our Readers:

This letter begins the Fall 2015 issue of the Criminal Law Practitioner, American University Washington College of Law's only student-run criminal law publication dedicated to addressing key criminal law issues in ways that are helpful to practicing attorneys, judges, legislators, and law students. Now in our third year of publication, we are proud of the progress we've made since launching in Fall 2013. In just three years we've been fortunate enough to collaborate with the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers (NACDL) and the ABA Criminal Justice Section. Our last issue, published in Summer 2015, was a collaborative effort between the Practitioner and the ABA and addressed the ever present issues of collateral consequences within the criminal justice system.

This present issue represents the Practitioner's decision to return to its roots. These four articles advocate and inform, addressing the use of adult testimony via closed-circuit television; analyzing Maryland handgun laws in light of the Supreme Court's decision in District of Columbia v. Heller; examining aggregate sentencing under Miller v. Alabama; and discussing the probability theory in relation to DNA proof. It is our hope that these varied topics will be of interest to all of our readers.

This issue could not have been made possible without the time and hard work of our dedicated staff and executive board. I cannot thank them enough for their efforts. Jacqueline Morley and Cheline Schroder handled our solicitations; Jon Yunes and Monisha Rao our formatting, and Janissia Orgill, Makia Weaver, Braxton Marcela, and all of our staffers and senior editors handled editing. In addition, our Blog Editors, Kieley Sutton and Robert Martinez worked hard to completely revamp our website. Please visit it at http://www.crimlawpractitioner.com.

As always, we welcome submissions for future issues. To anybody who is interested in submitting an article for consideration, please e-mail your submission to crimlawsubmissions@wcl.american.edu.

We hope you enjoy this issue.

Sincerely,

Trevor Addie
Editor-in-Chief